

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated hereafter.

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1-79. (Canceled)

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71. (Previously Presented) A method implemented by a television set-top terminal (STT) for enabling a user to search for media programs, said method comprising:
receiving by a tuner in the STT media information corresponding to a plurality of respective media programs;
storing the media information in memory in the STT;
providing to the user a search option to search the media information stored in the memory of the STT for media programs with a start time in a user-selected time period and matching a search term, wherein the search option further includes at least one search criterion based on whether a media program is a recorded media program residing in the STT; and
responsive to the user activating the search option, outputting to the television by the STT a portion of the media information stored in the memory, said portion of the media information comprising information corresponding to media programs with respective start times in the user-selected time period and matching the search term, wherein the search term is different than the start time in the user-selected time period, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further identifies at least one media program as a recorded media program residing in the STT.

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72. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 71, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further identifies a first type of television service for providing a first media program and a second type of television service for providing a second media program.

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73. (Canceled)

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74. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further identifies a first media program as a recorded media program residing in the STT and a second media program as a program provided by a video-on-demand service.

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75. (Currently Amended) The method claim 71, wherein the start time of the user-selected time period is different than the start time of at least one media program determined containing the search term based on the user-selected time period.

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76-86. (Canceled)

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87. (Previously Presented) A method implemented by a television set-top terminal

(STT) for enabling a user to search for media programs, said method comprising:

receiving by a tuner in the STT media information corresponding to a plurality of types of television services, said media information comprising a plurality of media programs corresponding to each type of television service in said plurality of types of television services;

storing in a first memory in the STT the media information;

outputting to a television by the STT a first presentation comprising an option to select a time period from a plurality of time periods;

receiving a first user input corresponding to a user-selected time period from the plurality of time periods; and

responsive to receiving the first user input:

outputting to the television by the STT a second presentation comprising a portion of the media information stored in the first memory, said portion of media information corresponding to a plurality of media programs in the user-selected time period; and

providing to the user a search option to search the media information stored in the first memory for media programs based on the user-selected time period, wherein the search option includes a search criteria based on whether a first type of television service in the plurality of types of television services is available to the user as a purchasable event.

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88. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein a second type of television service in the plurality of types of television services is available to the user without additional purchase.

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89. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 87, wherein a second type of television service in the plurality of types of television services is available to the user via a subscription service.

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90. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 87, wherein a second type of television service in the plurality of types of television services is available to the user as recorded media programs residing at the location of the STT.

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91. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 87, wherein the search option is provided in the second presentation output to the television by the STT.

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92. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 87, wherein responsive to providing a search option to the user, receiving by the STT a second user input corresponding to a search term, and wherein, responsive to receiving the second user input, outputting to the television by the STT a third presentation including a portion of media information corresponding to at least one media program in the user-selected time period and to the search term.

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(Currently Amended) A method implemented by a television set-top terminal (STT) for enabling a user to search for media programs, said method comprising:

receiving by a tuner in the STT media information corresponding to a plurality of respective media programs;

storing in memory in the STT the media information;

providing to the user a search option to search the media information stored in the memory of the STT for media programs that satisfy at least one search criterion based on video quality of media programs; and

responsive to the user activating the search option, outputting to the television by the STT a portion of the media information stored in the memory, said portion of the media information corresponding to at least one media program that satisfies the at least one search criterion, wherein said portion of the media information includes an identification of the respective media quality of the at least one media program.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 93, wherein the identification of the respective media quality of the at least one media program identifies the at least one media program as a high-definition video signal.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 93, wherein the identification of the respective media quality of the at least one media program identifies the at least one media program as a standard-definition video signal.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 93, wherein the identification of the respective media quality of the at least one media program identifies the at least one media program as an analog video signal.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 93, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further includes an identification of the respective type of television service providing the at least one media program.

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98. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 93, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further includes an identification of the respective type of random access functionality available with the at least one media program.

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99. (Currently Amended) A method implemented by a television set-top terminal (STT) for enabling a user to search for media programs, said method comprising:

- receiving by a tuner in the STT media information corresponding to a plurality of types of television services, said media information comprising [[of]] a plurality of media programs corresponding to each type of television service in said plurality of types of television services;
- storing in memory in the STT the media information;
- providing to the user a search option to search the media information stored in the memory of the STT for media programs that satisfy at least one search criterion based on types of television services; and
- responsive to the user activating the search option, outputting to the television by the STT a portion of the media information stored in the memory, said portion of the media information corresponding to at least one media program that satisfies the at least one search criterion, wherein said portion of the media information includes an identification of the respective type of television service providing the at least one media program;

wherein the identification of the respective type of television service providing the at least one media program identifies a video-on-demand service providing the at least one media program.

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100-101. (Canceled)

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102. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 99, wherein the identification of the respective type of television service providing the at least one media program identifies the at least one media program as a recorded media program in the STT.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 99, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further includes an identification of the respective media quality of the at least one media program.

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103.

(Currently Amended) The method of claim 99, wherein the portion of the media information output by the STT to the television further includes an identification of the respective type of random access functionality available with the at least one media program.

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(Currently Amended) A method implemented by a television set-top terminal (STT) for enabling a user to search for media programs, said method comprising:
storing in memory in the STT media information corresponding to a plurality of respective media programs;

providing to the user a search option to search the media information stored in the memory of the STT for media programs that satisfy at least one search ~~responsive to the user activating the search option;~~ criterion; and

outputting to the television by the STT a portion of the media information stored in the memory, said portion of the media information corresponding to at least one media program that ~~satisfy~~ satisfies the at least one search criterion, wherein said portion of the media information includes entitlement information corresponding to the at least one media program.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 105, wherein the entitlement information identifies the recording entitlement for the at least one media program.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 105, wherein the entitlement information identifies impermissible recording of the at least one media program.

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(Previously Presented) The method of claim 105, wherein the entitlement information identifies media quality for storing the at least one media program in the STT.

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~~109.~~ (Previously Presented) The method of claim 105, wherein the entitlement information identifies the expiration for storing the at least one media program in the STT.

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~~110.~~ (Previously Presented) The method of claim 108, wherein the media quality corresponds to a bit-rate.

110-115.

~~111-116.~~ (Canceled)